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MONEY FIGHT

Chapter Forty-Seven: Preparations

MIX UP



Gentaro Tachibana

WRECKED HAVOC IN THE 1970s BANTAMWEIGHT DIVISION. HIS FIGHTS WERE TALKED ABOUT FOR GENERATIONS AFTER HIS RETIREMENT, AMONG THOSE BEING HIS MATCH AGAINST THE UNDEFEATED WORLD CHAMPION, ALKABET, WHERE HE NEARLY KO'D THE GENIUS FIGHTER. HE WAS A FIGHTER WHOSE NAME REMAINS IN THE MINDS OF FANS MORE SO THAN IN THE RECORD BOOKS FOR HIS ACHIEVEMENTS.

RECORD: 35-11-4 (20 KO)

NICKNAME: MAO BOG

THE NICKNAME HE EARNED DURING HIS GANG DAYS FOLLOWED HIM INTO THE RING.

SPECIAL MOVE: FANG

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**DAVID HOLDS
STRONG, BUT
NEITHER
FIGHTER
HAS YET TO
CLEARLY TAKE
A ROUND!**

**WE'VE
REACHED
THE FINAL
ROUND IN
THIS
ELECTRIC
SUPER-
BANTAM-
WEIGHT
MATCH!**



**HE TAKES
THE OFFEN-
SIVE! THIS
IS STILL
ANYONE'S
MATCH!**

**CHARTCHAI
THE BLOGGER
BOASTS A BOX
KO RATE!**



**OH-HI!
A HARD
RIGHT
FROM
CHART-
CHAI!**

BOOM

IT HAS NO
EFFECT!

BUT...

DAIO
KAMAYI'S
PEL-PSHOM
ARMOR
HOLDS
STRONG!

NOW DAIO
IS ON THE
OFFENSIVE!
HE'S PRES-
SURING
CHARTCHAI
WHILE TAKING
BLOWS FROM
ALL ANGLES!

IN JUST
MOMENTS
HE'S
PUSHING
CHARTCHAI
INTO THE
CORNER!

THIS IS THE
MARTIAL
FIGHTING
GALL,
LADIES AND
GENTLEMEN!

YOU'RE A
REAL PAIN
IN THE ASS,
BUDDY.

CHARTCHAI
TRIES TO
STOP DATO'S
PRESSURE
WITH A
CLINCH



HE THREW
HIM! DATO
LIFTED
CHARTCHAI
INTO THE AIR
AND SLAMMED
HIM ONTO
THE MAT!





THIS DON'T
WES-
TLENS,
JACK-
ASS!

ANYWAY DATO
KIMURA IS
GOING TO
SUFFER A
POINT RE-
DUCTION
FOR THAT
ONE!

BUT
SHIT!



CUT THE
CRAP!
WHAT WAS
THAT?!

WHAT THE
HELL DO
YOU THINK
YOU'RE
POING,
WAGG?!

ANOTHER
ILLEGAL
MOVE?!



AMGINS, MAN
IT MUST BE
THE EFFECT
MICHINO-SAN
HAS ON THE
MATCH.

WOW, IT'S
PRETTY
PACKED.



MICHINO
WASN'T MY
PUPP...

HOW DOES IT
FEEL TO SEE
YOUR FORMER
PUPP! TAKE ON
THE WORLD
CHAMP,
GOTOU-SAN?

XXX



YOU'D BETTER
GET READY,
YAGURUMA,
BECAUSE I'M
NOT PICKING
ANY WEAK
OPPONENTS
FOR YOU.



DON'T WORRY.
I'LL TAKE YOU
TO THE WORLD
FINALS SOON
ENOUGH,
GOTOU-SAN.



HIS FIGHT-
ING STYLE'S
TOTALLY
DIFFERENT
FROM HIS
BROTHER'S.
HIGH COACH?

SHOTARO MITARAI

WRITING NOVEL



BOOM!

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DADO LOST
ONE POINT
FOR THIS
ROUND...

AND THE
MATCH IS
OVER!
WE'LL GO
TO THE
JUDGES
FOR A
DECISION!



...BUT I
FOUNT IT
WILL HAVE
MUCH OF
AN EFFECT
ON THE
DECISION!

THE
ANALYST
HAS DADO
FINED FOR A
FIVE POINT
LEAD.

DADO
BARELY
USES HIS
LEGS, AND
HIS PUNCH
COUNT IS
PRETTY
LOW.

WE HAVE
THE SUPER
BELL...

EXTRA
APPLY
AT 17:00.

THE ONLY
THING THEY
SHARE IS
THAT THEIR
WATCHES
ARE BORING
AS SHIT TO
WATCH.





GIVE ME A BREAK. I'M NOT EVEN THE WORLD CHAMP YET.

GIVE HIM SUCH A CRITIQUE THAT HE WON'T BE ABLE TO GET UP AGAIN.



NEXT YEAR, YOURS GOING FORTH THAT CHAMP AND RULE TWO FIVE SEVEN.

METARAI!



HE DOESN'T HAVE SPEED OR TECHNIQUE, BUT HE'S A POWER BOKER, FOR SURE.

DAIJO KANAYA... JUST LIKE KENO. HE FIGHTS IN A WAY THAT ASSURES VICTORY.



I'M NOT SURE IF EVEN ATTARAI'S PUNCH WOULD BE ENOUGH TO BREAK HIM.

AND THE WINNER, HIS WORLD CHAMPION.

BUT WHAT WORRIES ME MOST OF ALL IS THAT TOUGHNESS!

DAIJO KANAYA!





THE VISITING
ROOM IS OFF
LIMITS FOR THE
NEXT FIVE
MINUTES!

I WANT ALL
CAMERAS AND
PRESS OUT
OF HERE!



GOT
THAT?!

IT'S TIME FOR
KENNY'S PRESS-GAME
CONCENTRATION
ROUTINE! I DON'T
WANT TO HEAR A
PEEP FROM OUT-
SIDE OF THIS
DOOR!



EVERY-
THING
READY?







WE STILL
HAVE TO
TAKE THIS
TITLE FROM
KENO
KANRYA.

BUT OUR
WORK ISN'T
DONE YET.



BUT WHEN WE
REACH THOSE
HURDLES,
WE'LL GET
OVER THEM
AS A TEAM!



I SUSPECT
THIS MATCH
WILL BE
FILLED WITH
TRIALS AND
TRIBULA-
TIONS.

IT WON'T
BE EASY.







*FIRST TO
THE RING,
IN THE
BLUE
CORNER,
SHOTARO
MITARAI!*

*TONIGHT, FOR
OUR MAIN
EVENT, WE'LL
BE HOLDING
THE 12TH WBS
WORLD BANTAMWEIGHT
TITLE MATCH.*

WILL
MITARAI
DROP HIS
SIGNA-
TURE
BOMBS
TONIGHT?

MI-
TA-
RAI!

MI-
TA-
RAI!

WITH AN
ALL RO
RECORD
SINCE HIS
DEBUT...

AND NOW,
WITH AN
INVITE
FROM THE
CHAMPION,
HE HAS A
SHOT AT
THE WORLD
TITLE.

HE'S
CLEARED
A PATH
THROUGH
NUMEROUS
BANTAM-
WEIGHT
VETERANS!

御手洗

MI-
TA-
RAI

MI-
TA-
RAI

...HE
MAKES
HIS WAY
TO THE
RING!

MI-
TA-
RAI!

MI-
TA-
RAI!

BLASTING
"WAY OF
THE
DRAGON"
FOR HIS
ENTRANCE
THERE...

SHOTARO
MITARAI IS
WEARING
A MASK!

THE RISING

AHH!
WHAT'S
THAT? A
MASK?

PH!

THE ARENA
IS BOOMING
WITH THE
PH CALL!

HITARAI
PAYS
TRIBUTE
TO HIS
ROOTS!

PH!

DOKYUN
HUNTER!

PH!

COULD THIS
BE THE
START OF
A NEW
LEGEND?



*THE
CHAMPION,
KENO
KANAYA!*

*AND IN THE
RED CORNER,
ROLLING
"TOUGH BOY"
FOR HIS
ENTRANCE
THEME...*



IT'S A
BATTLE
OF UNDE-
FEATED
FIGHT-
ERS!

OR WILL
THE HUNTER
EXTERMI-
NATE THE
WARRIOR?

WILL THE
NANTWA
WARRIOR
CRUSH THE
HUNTER?



...AS WE
KICK OFF
THE KANUKA
FIGHTING
FESTIVAL!

THE GONG
IS ABOUT
TO RING...